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SUBJ: VISIT TO USDOC BY GILBERTO RAMIREZ JARAMILLO TO
DISCUSS TRADE PROMOTION AND COUNTER VAILING DUTIES

1. COMATT SPOKE WITH DR. RAMIREZ JARAMILLO OF PROEXPO ABOUT OBJECTIVES OF HIS TRIP TO U.S. (RAMIREZ IS FORMER COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR IN LA PAZ AND QUITO). IN ADDITION TO DISCUSSING OPERATIONS AND MECHANICS OF TRADE PROMOTION ACTIVITIES, RAMIREZ HAS BEEN CHARGED BY PROEXPO DIRECTOR GAMA TO EXPLORE AND DISCUSS INFORMALLY WITH USG ENTITIES US TRADE POLICY TOWARDS COLOMBIA, ESPECIALLY THE AREA OF EXPORT SUBSIDIES AND COUNTERVAILING DUTIES. RAMIREZ INTERESTED IN DISCUSSING USG ATTITUDES TOWARDS COLOMBIAN CAT OR OTHER EXPORT INCENTIVE SCHEMES.

2. RAMIREZ VOLUNTEERED THAT HE IS LEADING PROPONENT IN PROEXPO OF GRADUAL REMOVAL OF CAT AND UTILIZATION OF ANOTHER EXPORT INCENTIVE PROGRAM WHICH WOULD NOT RUN AFOUL OF THE US LAW.

3. EMBASSY GRATIFIED TO HEAR HIGH-LEVEL PROEXPO
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OFFICIAL ADVOCATING CHANGE IN CAT WHICH HAS BEEN ADVERSELY AFFECTING US-COLOMBIA BILATERAL ECONOMIC/ COMMERCIAL RELATIONS. MANY GOC OFFICIALS HAVE RECENTLY AND PUBLICALLY STRONGLY DEFENDED CAT'S CONTINUED EXISTENCE.
RAMIREZ UP-COMING VISIT PROVIDES EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO EXPOSE HIGH-LEVEL PROEXPO OFFICIAL TO USG POLICY

ON CAT AND PERHAPS ENCOURAGE ITS ULTIMATE REMOVAL.

4. ACTION: EMBASSY REQUESTS APPOINTMENTS FOR
RAMIREZ WITH STR (LANDE), STATE EB (AHMAD) AND ARA/ECP,
USDOC TRADE POLICY DIVISION, AND DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY.
AT LEAST ONE HALF DAY SHOULD BE RESERVED FOR DISCUSSION
ON ABOVE POLICY ISSUE.

5. RAMIREZ WILL BE AT USDOC EARLY MORNING OF JAN 24.
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